

generally useful as that which relates the progress of the human mind and the development of the human race. Victor Hugo says that the human mind half divine as it is is capable of creating from time to time superhuman efforts, and these efforts are more numerous than is generally or commonly supposed, for aside from the works of the sculptor, the painter and the poet, they embrace the entire field of art. Much has been written about this marvelous man Shakespeare, such accredited historical and dramatic critics as Rowe, Malone, Halliwell, Phillips, Thebold, DeQuincey, Richard Grant White, George Brandts, Victor Hugo and others have written elaborately of his genius, but after all we know but little of his inward and outward history, beyond the fact that he was an ordinary man of humble origin, and that the average mind not only, but the cultivated, the cultured, and the matured mind are amazed that one of such apparent obscurity should so get the start of the majestic world as to bear the intellectual palm alone, and be justly styled not only the grandsire of the English-speaking stage, but of being the intellectual spendthrift of this world. He was not so fortunate as to be born surrounded by all the pride, pomp, circumstance and glory of aristocracy; there was no royal blood in his veins, and 'tis best for humanity that such was the case. The men of thought, the men of genius, the men who have given to the world the wit, the wisdom, the philosophy, the story, the song and the art that have enriched the happiness of mankind were not born in

castles or palaces, although some born within such confines have done the world some temporary good from time to time; but the straw-thatched cottages of Europe and the log cabins of America have given to mankind the intellectual wealth that made an indelible impress upon the footprints and sands of time. Europe furnished us with such examples as Oliver Goldsmith, Robert Burns, Richard Cobden and Leo Tolstoy. America enriched us with such characters as Ben Franklin, Henry Clay, Daniel Webster, Abraham Lincoln, Henry Ward Beecher, General Grant, Horace Greeley, William McKinley, Henry George and William J. Bryan, whose worldly actions and methods of pure thought have materially contributed to the civilization of our age.

William Shakespeare was the author of thirty-eight dramas, together with several poems embracing every variety of human thought and action. He knew the heart and brain of man and of woman; the thoughts, theories, hopes, loves, hatreds, virtues and vices of the human race. We read one of his plays, and our imagination leads us to believe that it must have taken a superhuman effort to have constructed the drama. We pass on to the next one and it opens up upon us like a morning rose newly washed with dew. When one attempts to write of Shakespeare is like attempting to describe the high peaks and the hidden treasures contained in the Himalayas, the Alps, the Andes, or the Rocky mountains. To add anything thereto would be like gilding refined gold, painting a lily, adding another hue unto the rainbow, seeking the beauteous eye of heaven to garnish, or sprinkling perfume on a violet.

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